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'This number contains several articles of interest and value.'—North-China Herald.

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'The China Review for September-October fully maintains the high standard of excellence which characterises that publication, and altogether forms a very interesting and readable number. Meteorologists will find an interesting and valuable contribution by Dr. Fritsche, on "the Amount of Precipitation (Rain and Snow) of Peking," showing the results of observations made at the Imperial Russian Observatory at Peking, from 1841 to 1880. "Notes on the Dutch Occupation of Formosa," by Mr. Geo. Phillips, contains some interesting information, although much of it is second-hand. The Notices of New Books include a most generous and appreciative review of "The Divine Classic of Nan-Hua," and the Notes and Queries are as usual very interesting.'—North-China Daily News.

'The November-December number of the China Review contains less variety than usual, but the few articles are very interesting. The opening paper by Mr Herbert A. Giles on "The New Testament in Chinese" treats of a question that must necessarily be of great importance in the eyes of all missionaries. . . . Mr E. H. Parker's "Short Journeys in Szechuen" are continued, and a goodly instalment of these travels in the interior of China is given. Mr F. H. Balfour contributes a paper of some length entitled "The Emperor Cheng, founder of the Chinese Empire," which will be read with genuine interest by students of Chinese history. A few short notices of New Books and a number of Notes and Queries, one of which "On Chinese Oaths in Western Borneo and Java" might appropriately have been placed under a separate heading, complete the number.'—H. K. Daily Press.

Trübner's Oriental Record contains the following notice of the China Review:—The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the Calcutta Review. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked or from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors . . . Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Besides notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that 'Notes' and 'Queries' are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the China Review may receive the support necessary to ensure its continuance.

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Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

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Vessel's Names.	Section	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons nett.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Athenian	...	Mowatt	Brit. str.	3883	Dec. 2	C. P. R. Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Broad Mayne	7 c	Hayne	Brit. str.	1946	Jan. 24	Meyer & Co.		
Bygdo	4 c	Brekke	Norw. str.	771	Jan. 27	Sander, Wieler & Co.		
Catherine Apcar	5 c	Olifent	Brit. str.	1734	Jan. 25	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore & Calcutta	Jan. 31.
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Chiyo Maru	3 c	Yudmoto	Japan. str.	1052	Jan. 26	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
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Chunsang	9 c	Butler	Brit. str.	1418	Jan. 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
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Energia	4 c	Chaplin	Brit. str.	2064	Jan. 26	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
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Kong Beng	3 c	Joslin	British str.	862	Jan. 28	Woo Kee		
Kyoto Maru	3 c	Sakurai	Japan. str.	1666	Jan. 25	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
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Monmouthshire	...	Evans	Brit. str.	878	Jan. 7	Dodwell & Co., Limited	....	K'loon Dock
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Esmeralda	2 k	Harrison	Brit. sch.	130	Jan. 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Kosciusko	2 k	Lewis	Brit. sh.	1192	Jan. 25	Master		
Lothair	2 k	Ferrets	Ital. bqe.	891	Nov. 24	Musso & Co.		
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Station.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind Direction.	Wind Force.	Weather.	Rain.
Wl'ostock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	29.8?	—	—	N	6	—	—
Kochi	29.7?	—	—	NW	8	—	—
Nagasaki	29.95	—	—	N	6	—	—
Kagoshima	29.96	—	—	NW	6	—	—
Gutzlaff	30.15	48	78	WSW	3	bm	—
Sharp Pk.	3?.08	56	67	E	3	b	—
Amoy	30.05	63	47	SE	1	b	—
Swatow	30.13	63	—	ENE	4	b	—
Canton	30.11	65	4?	NW	1	b	—
Hongkong	30.09	58	58	E	3	b	—
Vict. Peak	—	—	—	E	1	—	—
Gap Rock	30.?8	—	—	ENE	3	—	—
Macao	30.10	61	—	SSE	1	b	—
Haiphong	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
C.S. James	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Malate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Jan. 30 h.—AT 10 A.M.							
Wl'ostock	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kochi	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gutzlaff	30.31	42	83	NE	4	cv	—
Sharp Pk.	30.23	53	54	WNW	2	b	—
Amoy	30.?9	5?	67	—	0	b	—
Swatow	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton	30.17	54	68	NE	1	b	—
Hongkong	30.17	59	48	E	4	b	—
Vict. Peak	—	—	—	E	4	—	—
Gap Rock	30.15	—	—	ENE	4	—	—
Macao	30.17	62	—	NE	1	b	—
Haiphong	30.07	65	—	E	1	b	—
C.S. James	—	—	—	NE	6	of	—
Malate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

F. G. FIGG, First Assistant.
Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 30, 1899.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, and to the level of the sea in inches, tenths, and hundredths.
2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort scale.
6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c detached clouds, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew (wet).
7. RAIN, in inches, tenths and hundredths.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.—JANUARY 30, 1899.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations, Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	$125	all	280 % prem. = $475
Bank of China & Japan, Limited preference shares	39,950	£5	£5	nom.
" ordinary "	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible], buyers
" deferred "	1,250	£1	£1	£5.5
National Bank of China, Limited ...	...	£10	£8	$20½, sales and buyers
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co, Ld.	10,000	$250	$50	$150, sellers
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$83.33	$25	$65
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	5,000	£100	£25	Tls. 180, buyers
Straits Insurance Co., Ld.	30,000	$100	$20	$7
Union Insurance Society, Ld.	10,000	$250	$50	$230
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$100	$60	$125, sales
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$100	$20	$91, sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	8,000	$250	$50	$317½
DOCKS.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.	12,500	$125	all	304 % prem. = $505 [buyers
STEAMBOATS.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	5,000	$50	all	$95
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$50	all	$57½
HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$15	$10	$28, sellers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	60,000	£10	all	$62
China Mutual S. N. Co.	20,000	£10	£10	£9.10, buyers
			£10	£5.5
Do. (new issue)	20,000	£10	£5	£2.15, buyers
Star Ferry Company, Ld.	10,000	$10	$7½	$12, sellers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	2,0000	$100	all	$168, sellers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	$100	all	$54, sellers
WHARVES.				
HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	20,000	$50	all	$84, buyers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited	2,600	$100	$37½	$39½
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$100	$50	$78, ex div.
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	$50	$30	$19½, buyers
Humphreys' Estate & Finance Co.	25,400	$10	all	$9½, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$50	$40	$18, ex div., sellers
TRAMWAYS.				
HK. High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,250	$100	all	$127½, buyers
MINING.				
Jelebu Mining & Trading Co., Ld.	40,000	$5	all	$5¾
New Punjom Mining Co., Ld.	60,000	$4	all	$6.40, sales
" " Preference shares	30,000	$1	all	$1.40, sales
Great Eastern and Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ld.	70,000	$5	$5	$3.35
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	$115, sellers
Queen's Mine, Limited	100,000	25 cents	25 cts.	$1.10, sales
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,000	£1	14/10	$49, buyers
Olivers Freehold Mines, Ld.	A 15,000	$5	$5	$7
	B 45,000	$5	$2½	$5.25
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ld.	12,000	$50	all	$74, sellers
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	60,000	$10	all	$13½, sales
LIGHTING.				
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	£10	all	$126
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	30,000	$10	$10	$11, sellers
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	20,000	$10	$10	$27½ / $26
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ld.	10,000	£1	15/-	$5
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	$10	all	$10, sales
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	$25	$25	$31½, buyers
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ld.	600	$50	all	$33
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	10,000	$7½	$5	$5¼
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$25	all	$120
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	5,000	$50	all	$172½
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	1,500,00	$100	$100	$83, buyers
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 70
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 80
Laou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 80
Carmichael & Co., Ld.	2,000	$25	$20	$8
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 400
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ld.	50,000	$20	$10	$9.75, sales

* Founder's shares.

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1896	Tls. 757,200	Tls. 250	7 % p. annum	10 % prem.

A. G. STOKES, Sharebroker.

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Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....$10,000,000.
RESERVE FUND.....$ 9,000,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....$10,000,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
Hon. J. J. BELL-IRVING,—Chairman.
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C. Beurmann, Esq. | A. J. Raymond, Esq.
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Alex. MacGeachie, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—T. JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER:
Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARDNER, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING CO., LD.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 3 months 2½ per cent per annum.
" 6 " 3½ " "
" 12 " 4 " "
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, October 28, 1898. 368

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,
ESTABLISHED 1880.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... Yen 12,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ... " 10,500,000
RESERVE FUND ... " 6,260,000
HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.
BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:
KOBE. SAN FRANCISCO.
NEW YORK. HONOLULU.
BOMBAY. SHANGHAI.

LONDON BANKERS:
The London Joint Stock Bank, Limited;
Parr's Bank, Limited,
The Union Bank of London, Limited.

HONGKONG AGENCY—Interest allowed.
On Current Account at the Rate of 2% per annum on the daily balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months, 5% per annum.
On fixed deposits for 6 months, 4% per annum.
On fixed deposits for 3 months, 3% per annum.
S. OHOH, *Agent.*
Hongkong, October 1, 1898. 539

Banks.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.
HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £450,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 % per annum on the Daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 %
" " " 6 " 3½ %
" " " 3 " 2½ %
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager.
Hongkong, May 25, 1898. 846

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED.....£1,125,000
PAID UP.....£ 562,500
RESERVE FUND.....£ 10,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months ... 4 %
" 6 " ... 3½ %
" 3 " ... 2½ %
J. THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, December 1, 1897. 2340

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, August 1, 1895. 1515

Banks.

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... ... Tls. 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ... ... " 2,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.
CANTON, | HANKOW,
CHEFOO, | PEKING,
CHINKIANG, | SWATOW,
FOOCHOW, | TIENTSIN.

THE BANK PURCHASES and receives for Collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.
Advances made on approved securities. Bills Discounted.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at the Rate of 2% per Annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 3 Months ... 3%
" " 6 " ... 4%
" " 12 " ... 5%
E. W. RUTTER,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, October 15, 1898. 1970

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,000,000.
PAID UP CAPITAL.....£ 324,304.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors.
D. GILLIES, Esq. | J. T. LAUTS, Esq.
CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq. | CHOW TUNG SHANG, Esq.
KWAN HOI CHUEN, Esq.

Chief Manager:
G. W. F. PLAYFAIR.
Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 %.
Hongkong, November 30, 1897. 171

HAPPY RETREAT,
HAPPY VALLEY, SOUTH END OF RACE COURSE.
REFRESHMENTS, DINNERS,
to be had at all times.
SPACIOUS TENNIS GROUND
Available at $1.50 per AFTERNOON (from 3 to 7 P.M.)
Tea-party Entertainments served at Moderate Prices.
SHIU HING PO,
Proprietor.
Hongkong, September 20, 1898. 1769

Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	10	3000	Comdr. A. H. Smith-Dorrien	Hongkong
Algerine	sloop	1050	6	1400	Commander E. J. W. Slade	Foochow
Archer	cruiser, 3rd class	1770	6	3500	Comdr. C. E. Kingsmill	Singapore
Barfleur†	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Hon. S. C. J. Colville, C.B.	Nagasaki
Bonaventure	cruiser, 2nd class	4360	10	9000	Capt. R. A. J. Montgomerie, C.B.	Manila
Centurion*	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Captain J. R. Jellicoe	Manila
Daphne	sloop	1140	8	2000	Comd. C. W. Winnington-Ingram	Hongkong
Esk	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	383	3	200	Lt.-Com. C. Chadwick	Shanghai
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	380	6	5700	Lieut. H. A. Gillett	Hongkong
Firebrand	gunboat, 2nd class	455	2	360		Hongkong
Grafton	cruiser, 1st class	7350	12	12,000	Captain F. W. Fisher	Hongkong
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut. Edward Kelly	Hongkong
Hermione	cruiser, 2nd class	4360	10	9000	Capt. G. A. Callaghan	Weihaiwei
Humber	storeship	1640	—	1640	Lieut. H. J. Davison	Hongkong
Iphigenia	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	8	9000	Capt. H. N. Dudding	Nanking
Linnet	gun-vessel, 2nd class	756	2	870	Com. Wm. W. Smythe	Hankow
Narcissus	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	12	8500	Comdr. G. F. King-Hall	Iloilo
Peacock	gunboat, 1st class	755	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. P. S. St. John	Chemulpo
Phœnix	sloop	1050	6	1400	Capt. N. P. Cochrane	Shanghai
Pigmy	gunboat, 1st class	755	6	1200	Lieut. C. J. T. Dormer	Iloilo
Plover	gunboat, 1st class	755	6	1200	Com. C. V. de M. Cowper	Hongkong
Powerful	cruiser, 1st class	14,200	14	25,000	Capt. Hon. H. Lambton	Hongkong
Rattler	gunboat, 1st class	715	6	1200	Lt.-Com. Hon. G. A. Hardinge	Hongkong
Redpole	gunboat, 1st class	805	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. E. H. Grafton	Hongkong
Sandpiper	river gunboat	—	2	—	Lieut.-Comdr. Carr	Hongkong
Swift	gun-vessel, 2nd class	756	2	870		Foochow
Tamar	receiving ship	4650	—	—	Commodore S. C. Holland	Hongkong
Tweed	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	383	2	200		Hongkong
Undaunted	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	12	8500	Capt. A. C. Clarke	Weihaiwei
Victorious	battleship, 1st class	14,900	16	12,000	Capt. A. Schomberg	Hongkong
Waterwitch	Surveying ship	620	—	450	Lieut.-Comdr. W. P. Dawson	Hongkong
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5900	Lieut. I. P. Barton	Hongkong
Wivern	coastdefenceship, armoured	2750	4	1000		Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	—	2	—	Lieut.-Com. H. D. S. Watson	Shanghai

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir E. H. Seymour, K.C.B. † Flagship of Rear-Admiral C. S. P. Fitzgerald.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Frundsberg	Austrian corvette	1400	9	800	Capt. L. von Zeigler	Singapore
Aspic	French gunboat	475	3	450	Commander Journet	Saigon
Bayard	French flagship	6500	12	4500	Captain Joannet	
Caravan	French gunboat	658	4	—	Lieut. Schwerer	Saigon
Descartes	French cruiser	4000	14	8500	Capt. Philibert	Foochow
Dupuy-Trouin	French cruiser	3503	11	4399		Kwongchauwan
Eclaireur	French cruiser	1658	8	2050	Capt. Texier	Taku
Jean Bart	French cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Thesmar	Kwongchauwan
Léon	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Amet	Shangha.
Pascal	French cruiser	3968	14	8500	Captain de Brétizel	Manila
Surprise	French gunboat	629	2	900	Captain de Plessix	Saigon
Vauban	French flagship	—	—	—	Captain Boutet	Kwongchauwan
Arcona	German cruiser	1640	8	2930	Captain Becker	Kiaochau
Cormoran	German cruiser	1640	8	2900	Capt. Brussatis	Shanghai
Deutschland	German ironclad	8000	—	8000	Captain Muller	Hongkong
Gefion	German 2nd class cruiser	4109	10	9000	Captain Rollmann	Hongkong
Irene	German cruiser	4200	8	2930	Commander de Bois	Iloilo
Kaiser	German flagship	7677	15	5700	Captain Stubenrauch	Hongkong
Kaiserin Augusta	German cruiser	6331	20	14,000	Captain Koelnor	Hongkong
Moeve	German gunboat	800	—	—	Capt. Merten	Hongkong
Prinzess Wilhelm	German cruiser	4400	12	8000	Captain Truppel	Hongkong
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	1487	—	—	Captain Incoronato	Nagasaki
Liberal	Portuguese gunboat	400	3	400	Comdr. Carvalhosa e Athayde	Macao
Admiral Kornileoff	Russian cruiser	5500	16	9000	Captain Molas	Port Arthur
Alcout	Russian gunboat	810	2	730	Captain Parenego	Vladivostock
Bobre	Russian sloop	950	2	1150	Captain Boisman	Nagasaki
Dimitri Donskoi	Russian cruiser	6000	16	7000	Capt. Witthoft	Port Arthur
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	500	2	3500	Capt. Serebrennikff	
Gremiastchy	Russian gunboat	1490	2	2800	Capt. Rudneff	Taku
Korojetz	Russian sloop	1200	9	2150	Captain Lindestroem	Nagasaki
Maadshur	Russian sloop	1200	3	1400	Commandor Kachaloff	Chemulpo
Navarin	Russian 2nd class battleship	10,0 0	4	—	Captain Fenichs	
Otvajny	Russian gunboat	1490	2	2000	Captain Coprianoff	Nagasaki
Pamiat Azova	Russian cruiser	6000	15	8000	Captain Vireenius	Vladivostock
Rossia	Russian cruiser	12,200	—		Captain Domojiroff	Nagasaki
Rurik	Russian flagship	10,923	26	13,250	Comdr. Gaoupt	Nagasaki
Silatch	Russian gunboat	950	2	1125	Captain Barranoff	Port Arthur
Sissoi Velky	Russian 2nd class battleship	10,000	14	8500	Captain Barenago	Nagasaki
Sivootch	Russian gunboat	950	2	1120	Captain Niedermuller	
Vladimir Monamach	Russian armoured cruiser	6000	16	7000	Captain Prince Ouchtomsky	Port Arthur
Vsadnik	Russian gunboat	500	11	3500	Capt. Rogulia	
Zabijaka	Russian cruiser	1230	6	1194	Commander Komaroff	Vladivostock
Baltimore	U. S. cruiser	4413	10	10,064	Capt. N. M. Dyer	Iloilo
Boston	U. S. cruiser	3000	8	4030	Captain C. F. F. Wilde	Manila
Callao	U. S. gunboat	137	1	85	Lieut. Benjamin Tappan	Manila
Charleston	U. S. cruiser	3730	8	6666	Captain Glass	Iloilo
Concord	U. S. cruiser	1700	6	2405	Com. A. Walker	Manila
Manila	U. S. gunboat	1087	2	760	Lieut.-Com. F. Singer	Manila
Monocacy	U. S. sloop	1370	6	860	Capt. Bucknell	Shanghai
Monterey	U. S. monitor	4084	4	5244	Comdr. F. H. C. Leutze	Manila
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	3990	6	2000	Capt. W. H. Whiting	Manila
Olympia	U. S. flagship	5870	14	11,393	Captain Lamberton	Manila
Petrel	U. S. gunboat	892	4	1084	Commander E. P. Wood	Manila

LATE TELEGRAMS.

The Queen's Interest in the Gordon Memorial College.

London, January 9.—The Queen has telegraphed to Lord Cromer expressing her deep interest in the welfare of the Gordon Memorial College.

Recrudescence of Plague in Calcutta.

Calcutta, Jan. 12.—Reports more or less circumstantial have been circulated lately of the recrudescence of Plague here Official information shows that, although there have been several suspicious cases lately, of which two were proved somewhat conclusively to be Plague, nevertheless, in the opinion of the Medical Committee, there was no likelihood at present of Calcutta being declared an infected port.

Disastrous Gale at Port Said.

London, January 8.—A gale has carried away the red light-house at Port Said, on the West Pier; and the steamer *Golden Cross* has gone ashore outside the port.

[The *Golden Cross* is a steel screw steamer of 3,014 tons gross, and 1,944 net register, and was launched in January, 1893, by Messrs J. L. Thompson & Sons, Sunderland, for the International Line Steamship Company, Limited. Her dimensions are:—Length 322 ft., breadth 41·5 ft., and depth 21·5 ft., with engines of 266 nominal horse-power.]

The navigation at Port Said, which was temporarily interrupted by the damage caused by the gale has been resumed.

Germany and the Caroline Islands.

January 12.—The rumours anent Germany acquiring a foothold in the Carolines are reviving.

Expensive Turkish Victory in Arabia.

Turkish troops have defeated the Yemen rebels at Saada, killing four thousand of the enemy, but with a loss of two thousand on their own side.

Another British 'Tribute' in Uganda.

Major Macdonald cables that Captain Kirkpatrick and seven men were murdered at Makwal, to the eastward of Difilich, on the 26th November. Major Macdonald is proceeding to punish the murderers.

The mutineers in Uganda, headed by the notorious ringleader, Bilali, have been routed and dispersed, Bilali being killed.

The Study of Chinese.

London, Dec. 27.—A number of British military officers stationed in India, who show an aptitude for the study of Chinese, have been granted a year's leave of absence to proceed to Pekin, where they will learn the language and make themselves acquainted, as far as possible, with the people and the country. Those who afterwards pass a satisfactory examination in Chinese subjects will each be awarded 1,000 rupees.

The First Repulse at Ilo-Ilo!

January 12.—A tide swept a boat filled with American soldiers, who had attempted to land on Sunday on Guimaras Island, Ilo-Ilo, and they were compelled to retreat by the Filipinos. The latter have sunk lighters in the Channel and have extinguished all beacons.

A Week's Mortality in Bombay.

Bombay, Jan. 11.—The health returns of the city of Bombay for the past week are very unsatisfactory. The mortality from all causes was 1,111, compared with 894 deaths in the previous week. The deaths from Plague numbered 220, against 154 in the preceding week.

Agitation Against the Sugar Bounties.

London, January 10.—A crowded meeting, organised by the Anti-Bounty League, was held to-day, and was attended by the representatives of all the sugar-growing colonies, India and Canada also being represented. A resolution, moved by Sir M. Bhownaggree, was unanimously adopted, requesting the Government to immediately conclude a convention with Germany, Austria, Belgium, and Holland for abolishing the Bounties on sugar.

Another Dreyfus Storm.

There was an uproarious debate in the French Chamber of Deputies to-day, arising through questions on the Beaurepaire incident. The Minister of Justice explained that the alleged partiality of the Judges of the Court of Cassation was merely in treating Colonel Picquart with the same consideration as other witnesses in the Dreyfus case. Nevertheless, a further enquiry is proceeding. The Chamber, at the request of Government, passed the Order of the Day by 423 votes against 124.

The 'Times' on local Institutions in India.

January 11.—The *Times* comments upon the marked enthusiasm of Lord Curzon's reception in India, which, it says, is justified by his proved abilities; yet he will do well if his Viceroyalty proves as creditable as Lord Elgin's. While sympathising with Lord Curzon's views on the development of local institutions the leading journal advocates the reservation of stringent powers to the central Government, and cites Sir Anthony MacDonnell's strictures upon the Agra Municipality.

Dr Welldon on the Church in India.

Bishop Welldon delivered his valedictory address yesterday evening at St. Peter's Church, Eaton Square. In a letter published by the *Times*, the new Metropolitan of India says that the Church in India must respect ancient religion, and that Indian Christianity, to become national, must be based upon native ideas and characters.

Many old Harrovians and Etonians, including Lord Roberts and Viscount Peel, assembled at Victoria Station to-day to bid farewell to Bishop Welldon on his departure for India.

The S. S. 'China.'

Bombay, January 9.—Captain De Horne, late of the steamship *China*, writes with reference to the order for re-holding of inquiry and the correspondence published thereon: I am sending you the enclosed papers to show you what a mine I have had sprung on me, and think I am the first man who, having been tried for an offence, condemned and done his time, is then to be retried on the same count. However, it may be the means of clearing the cruel slurs which were made about me in many English newspapers. I did not disapprove of the Court that sat, nor did I murmur at their verdict. I committed an error of judgment and have paid the penalty, not only to the Board of Trade but to the P. and O. Company whom I served for nearly forty years. It is the law of that Company to discharge any Captain who strands his vessel. I cannot complain of their treatment, for before my accident they were ever kind, courteous and generous masters to me. You will see for yourself how the matter has been brought about, and the Board of Trade tell me it is the only course they can follow. I have no objection to face the Court again beyond the loss of time it is to me. In the business I have started I am gradually getting my name known in the City, and friends are giving me a turn when they can, and I hope in time to live my trouble down. As all events I am not going to sit down to it.

The Plague.

Allahabad, January 10.—The Indian Plague Commission will make a short halt in Egypt on their way home in April to acquaint themselves with the measures adopted there to deal with a possible epidemic of the disease.

Heavy Snow on the Himalayas.

Calcutta January 10.—Extraordinarily heavy snow is reported all along the Himalayas, even Shillong and Darjeeling having considerable falls, while in Simla the snow is nearly two feet thick the weight being so great that roofs are in danger of collapsing.

FAREWELL—WEST YORKS.

It isn't an easy matter, is the writing a farewell lay,
When you see a one-year regiment packing up to go away.
For the interval 'twixt your coming and going is only enough,
To give us just a bare idea if you're good—or the other stuff.
But we've seen that you're downright good fellows, and we're sorry the Office of War
Didn't make this a two-year station, just one little year before.
But now we must love you and lose you, with regret that is real, for we know
The worth of a *bagus* regiment, since all we've had haven't been so.
For others have *lived* in Police Courts,—and hammered the rikshamen well.
And some turned the town to Bedlam—and finished the night in a cell,
But you—well, you may not be saintly, nor given to going to kirk,
But you haven't lived in Police Courts—or given the magistrates work.
Your Band we are sorry to lose, too—for your Band is a piece of Fine Art,
In the list of your qualifications, it plays no insignificant part,
If it rattled your pet *Oh Tru*, or softly played *Auld Lang Syne*,
As it did last Tuesday evening—They both were equally fine.
When you are away in Karachi—where there's scarcely a tree to be seen,
Think well of this bright little island, that's so ultra-perennially green,
And if this won't suffice to remind you—you're bound to remember us still,
For one of you's taken a keepsake, and with it our hearty good-will.
And though he's not with you in India, being off on a Native States tack,
He's bound to remind you of us, friends, as soon as ever he's back.
And we wish him, in hand with the keepsake, the special good luck of the land,
And the sooner they make him the Colonel the sooner he'll take the command.
And when you are called to do battle—We wish you the luck of Famars,
May you collar your share of the glory, as you collared your Quickstep thars.
The wish is almost futile, for we know, with the chance you'd soon
Rattle the good old quickstep, and "beat 'em on their own tune."
So Goodbye and Good luck go with you—officers, men and all,
From the Colonel down through the junior sub. To the men both great and small.
Good Stations, Good Health, Good Pleasure, Good Fights when the Big Rows are,
Three Cheers for the Good West Yorkshires,
Now then!
HIP, HIP, HURRAH!

—Joss CHINCHINJOSS in the *Singapore Free Press*

TRIALS OF GENIUS.

Tennyson exercised no direct guidance over his illustrators, and he must frequently have been astonished at their interpretation of his ideas. In the poem of 'The Lady of Shalott,' for example, the lady's hair is never mentioned. Holman Hunt, however, represents her with flying masses of crimped hair spreading over her like a veil.

'My dear Hunt,' said Tennyson, when he first saw this illustration, 'I never said that the young woman's hair was flying all over the shop.'

'No,' said Hunt, 'but you never said it wasn't;' and after a time the poet came to be wholly reconciled to the design. He never quite forgave the same artist, however, for giving King Cophetua a long flight of steps to descend to meet the Beggar Maid.

'I never said,' he complained, 'that there was a lot of steps; I meant only one or two.'

'Well,' retorted Hunt, 'the flight of steps doesn't contradict your account; you merely said: "In robe and crown, the king stept down."'

But Tennyson was not to be appeased, and kept on declaring that he meant only two steps at the outside.

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Hongkong Tides.

The Tide Table given below has been compiled by the Nautical Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-89.

The zero of the table is Low Water Ordinary Spring Tides, which has been found to be 2 feet below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 ft. 7 in., and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 12 ft. 9 in. to the height given in the table.

31st Jan. to 6th February.

Day of Week	Date	High Water Hongkong Mean Time.	High Water Height.	Low Water Hongkong Mean Time.	Low Water Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Tues.	31	m 11 55	9 10	m 5 47	−0 10
		11 17 a	9 11	5 15 a	0 8
Wed.	1	0 16 a	9 1	m 6 34	0 4
		11 47 a	8 4	6 0 a	0 9
Thur.	2	0 49 a	8 4	m 6 58	0 4
				7 10 a	0 10
Fri.	3	m 0 46	8 3	m 6 59	0 3
		1 31 a	8 3	7 9 a	0 9
Sat.	4	m 2 4	8 1	m 7 18	0 10
		2 24 a	8 0	11 8 a	0 4
Sun.	5	m 4 27	8 3	m 7 10	1 1
		3 48 a	8 4		
Mon.	6	m 7 5	8 4	m 8 10	−0 5
		5 16 a	8 7	m 8 10	1 6

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NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London and Havre, ex S. S. *Tigre*, from Bordeaux ex S.S. *Frédéric Mora*, *Frédk. Le Roy Lallier* and *Verbeckmoes*, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 10 a.m., TO DAY, the 23rd Inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 30th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before MONDAY, the 30th Instant, or they will not be recognized.

All Damaged Packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 30th Instant, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, January 23, 1899. 180

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *MANILA*.

FROM LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ, AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

The Vessel brings on Cargo:—

From Madras, &c., ex s.s. *Lalpoora*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 11 a.m. TO-DAY, 24th Instant.

Goods not cleared by the 30th Instant, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 24, 1899. 193

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, SOLEHAVEN AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. *Wakasa Maru* from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO.'s GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON TO DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd Proximo, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

All Ship-damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company and sent in to this Office within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, January 27, 1899. 220

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, BIRKENHEAD & SWANSEA.

THE Company's Steamship *Ocpack*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 3rd Proxi, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 2nd Proximo.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 3rd Proximo will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON TO DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
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Hongkong, January 27, 1899. 218

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE

WEEK DAYS.

7.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. ...Every quarter of an hour.
11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m....Every half hour.
12.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m....Every quarter of an hour.
3.30 p.m. to 8.00 p.m....Every quarter of an hour.
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SUNDAYS.

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10.30 a.m. and 10.40 a.m.
Noon to 2 p.m....Every quarter of an hour.
3 p.m. to 6 p.m....Every quarter of an hour.
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Hongkong, January 19, 1899. 159

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Hongkong, January 19, 1899. 158

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

CATHERINE APCAR,

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DAVID SASSON, SONS & Co.,
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Hongkong, January 25, 1899. 208

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

COMMONWEALTH,

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 19, 1899. 154

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

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Captain MOORE, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 31st Instant.

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Hongkong, January 21, 1899. 173

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Hongkong, January 27, 1899. 219

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TANTALUS,

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Hongkong, January 26, 1899. 216

UNITED STATES AND CHINA—JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

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Captain TROTTER, will be despatched as above on or about the 20th February.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
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Hongkong, January 6, 1899. 49

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KENMORE,

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Hongkong, January 12, 1899. 17

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Hongkong, January 23, 1899. 2497

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Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *viâ* Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, January 23, 1899. 185

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
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Sachsen	Wednesday	March 1.
Bayern	Wednesday	March 29.
Prinz Heinrich	Wednesday	April 26.
Preussen	Wednesday	May 24.

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Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 30th January, Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 p.m., on TUESDAY, the 31st January, and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office) until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 31st January. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Hongkong Maru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	TUESDAY, Feb. 7, at Noon.	
Nippon Maru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	SATURDAY, March 4, at Noon.	
America Maru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	THURSDAY, March 30, at Noon.	

THE S. S. *HONGKONG MARU* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 7th February, 1899, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu).	Thursday, Feb. 2, at daylight.
Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu).	Saturday, Feb. 25, at noon.
Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu).	Tuesday, March 21, at noon.

THE Co.'s Steamship *GAELIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 2nd Feb., at Daylight.

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Passenger who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*or vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu,	Thursday, Feb. 16, at noon.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, N'kj, Kobe, Inland Sea, Y'hama & H'lulu.,	Tuesday, March 14, at noon.
City of Peking (via S'hai, N'saki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Y'hama and Honolulu).....	Saturday, April 8, at noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CHINA* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *vid* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 16th February, at noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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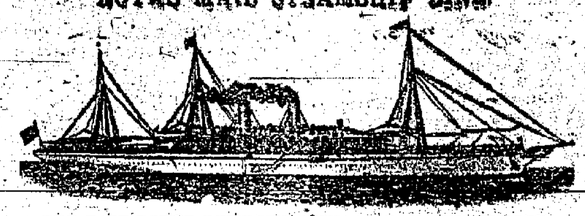
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Destination.	Sailing Dates.	
S. S. *Dorothea Richmers*, Capt. PAPE,	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN. (L'don with transhipment in H'burg).	9th February.	Freight.
* S. S. *SARNIA*, Capt. EHLERS,	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN (L'don with transhipment in H'burg).	About 15th February.	Freight & Passage.
* S. S. *SILESIA*, Capt. BEHRENS,	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN. (L'don with transhipment in H'burg).	About 10th March.	Freight & Passage.
S. S. *SUEVIA*, Capt. FOERCH,	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN. (L'don with transhipment in H'burg).	About 20th March.	Freight.
S. S. *WITTENBERG*, Capt. MADSEN,	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN. (L'don with transhipment in H'burg).	About 31st March.	Freight.

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FOR VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA, IN CONNECTING WITH Northern Pacific Railway Co.

Steamer.	Tons	Captain.	Proposed Sailing.
Victoria	3502	J. Panton	Feb. 14
Tacoma	2811	A. Dixon	Feb. 25
Glenogle	3760	J. McGillvray	Mar. 21
Olympia	2837	J. Truebridge	April 1

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Fanning	2251	N. Moncur	Jan. 29
Monmouthshire	2874	W. A. Evans	Feb. 18
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(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Destinations.	Sailing Dates.
KAMAKURA MARU, N. TERNT,	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, *Via* SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	THURSDAY, 2nd Feb., at 4 p.m.
FUJI MARU,	NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 7th Feb., at 4 p.m.
MIIKE MARU, S. KAWAMURO,	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	THURSDAY, 16th Feb., at 4 p.m.
TOSA MARU, C. GOINO,	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, *Via* SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	THURSDAY, 16th Feb., at 4 p.m.
SAGAMI MARU, J. NAITO,	SHANGHAI, CHEMULPO and NAGASAKI.	FRIDAY, 17th Feb., at 4 p.m.
KAGOSHIMA MARU, R. NIXON,	SINGAPORE, COLOMBO and BOMBAY.	TUESDAY, 21st Feb., at Noon.
KANOYA MARU, E. W. HASKELL,	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.	FRIDAY, 24th Feb., at 4 p.m.

* Through Passengers' Tickets and Bills of Lading issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada, and Europe, in connection with the Canadian Northern Railway and Atlantic Steamers.

For further information as to Freight, Passage Rates, &c., apply to the Company's local Branch Offices, No. 7 Praya Central.

K. S. KITAMURA, *Manager.*

Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 249

H.M.S. *Fearless*—or rather the little *Sandpiper*—took up her buoy to-day in the man-of-war anchorage.

THE French cruiser *Descartes* arrived at Foochow on the 19th inst. with Mr P. Claudel, who re-assumes charge of the French Consulate.

OFFERS are invited in the *Gazette* for the rent, by the year, of a site in the vicinity of the City Hall on which to erect a kiosk for the sale of cigars, cigarettes, etc.

RULES for the Signal Stations at Victoria Peak and Blackhead's Hill, in substitution for those contained in Government notification No. 278 of the 24th July, 1886, are published in the *Gazette*.

Sourabaya is to be made into a naval refuge port, defended according to the most modern views, and forts are to be built near Tanjong Priok for its defence and that of Batavia.

IT is notified in the *Gazette* that owing to the continued scarcity of water the supply to the public mains at Kowloon will until further notice be turned on only from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

THE *Singapore Free Press* of the 21st inst. says:—Their Royal Highnesses Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia are going to Bangkok from Hongkong, and in consequence instructions have been received to detain here and forward to Bangkok the mails for the flagship *Deutschland*, and her consort, the cruiser *Gefion*.

WE have received a copy of a piece for the pianoforte entitled 'General Aguinaldo,' composed by Antonio G. Escamilla, Major of the Philippine Revolutionary Forces, A.D.C. and Private Secretary to Aguinaldo. The piece is dedicated to the Honourable President of the Revolutionary Government of the Philippines.

MR THOMAS R. DEWAR, ex-Sheriff of London, and partner of the firm of John Dewar and Sons, Ltd., of Perth and London, arrived to-day by the French mail steamer *Sydney*. Mr Dewar is re-visiting the Far East in the interests of his firm, one of the leading whisky distilling businesses in Scotland. We hope Mr Dewar will find time to attend a few gallops at the Race-course. As the owner of *Perthshire*, which ran in the last Derby, he has more than a fitful interest in horse-racing as a sport.

YESTERDAY, Chief Detective Inspector Hanson and Inspector Moffatt entered the lower premises of the P. and O. Company and seized a large quantity of Macao and Tai Yick Lottery tickets and $2,000 in money. Hu Ki, the shroff, was arrested in connection with the seizure. At the Magistracy to-day, on the case was remanded for a week, bail being fixed at $3,000. Mr Mounsey watched the case on behalf of a client.

THE officers and men of the U.S.S. *Raleigh* have been entertained most profusely since they left Manila. At Singapore, the officers were the guests of the West Yorkshire Regiment, and at Colombo they were the guests of Major-General Hobson and of the officers of the Loyal North Lancashire Regiment. One of our Colombo contemporaries says:—The U.S.S. *Raleigh* sails westward to-morrow morning; and residents who have met those on board her, from Captain Coghlan downwards, will wish our visitors—the first to arrive of those who actively participated in the Battle of Manila—plenty of luck and good service under their flag. During the past week, which has been mutually pleasant to those afloat and on shore, there have been many signs of international amity, among which the entertainment at the regimental officers' mess must take a prominent place. The notable evidences of good feeling at Hongkong and in the neighbourhood of Manila which the *Raleigh* officers delight to describe with cordial expressions of appreciation, have been heartily approved of here; and the repetition only served to enhance the *entente* which was speedily established at Colombo between the gallant officers of the good ship *Raleigh*, and those who had the opportunity of receiving and entertaining them.

A FEW days ago, we chronicled the arrival of Mr J. G. Glass, C.I.E., from India. The following telegram from a Rangoon contemporary, dated Jan. 10, gives a good idea of Mr Glass's programme for the next few months:—Mr J. G. Glass, C.I.E., left Calcutta on Saturday last for Shanghai, where his party of surveyors from India will rendezvous a few weeks hence for operations connected with the concession granted to the Peking Syndicate by the Chinese Government. The following is an outline of the work they are to undertake from Shanghai. Mr Glass and his party will go to Hankow by steamer, 600 miles up the Yangtze, and then strike off to the north and beat up the Han river, also navigable for 300 miles. On reaching Siang Yang they will work across country to Honan and strike the Yellow River, cross it and make Huaking on the north bank. Thence their path will be to Tsechou and Hunan in the heart of the great coal region of the Shansi province. They will survey country in order to find a good alignment for a railway from Huaking to Siang Yang, about 300 miles, and for a branch from Huaking to Weyhsi 20 miles. The object is to open out the coal, petroleum and iron fields of Shansi and bring them into direct communication with the great waterways of Central China, and with the Grand Canal.

SHOOTING CASE AT SHANGHAI.

SENTENCE ON TOURNEY.

(Special Telegram from Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 30, 5.56 p.m.

Tourney, of the steamer *Fatching*, has been found guilty of shooting with intent to do grievous bodily harm, and was sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

THE U.S.S. *Buffalo* was expected at Singapore on the 26th inst. *en route* to Manila.

SINCE our share list went to press, Queen's Mine shares have gone up to $1.25 sales.

PRINCE Ranjitsinhji, the well-known Indian cricketer, returns to England from India in April next.

THERE were 190 European and 1,928 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Museum during the week ending 29th Jan.

THE British steamer *Wonkoi*, which arrived on Saturday from Bangkok, reports having passed a derelict junk in Lat. 17.50 N. and Long. 111.01 E.

WE understand the U.S. cruiser *Baltimore* and the monitor *Monterey* are likely to come to Hongkong for docking about the middle of next month.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Roast Meat Guild $100

A TUG of war between the 12th Co., R.A. (winners of the Warren Shield) and the 1st West Yorks took place at Singapore on the 18th inst. It was 'the best of three,' and the Artillerymen won, the two pulls occupying 3 mins. 20 secs. and 3 mins. 22 secs.

THE French mail steamer *Sydney*, which arrived to-day, brought on the first mails to Hongkong under the Imperial Penny Postage arrangement. The new rate has been pretty generally taken advantage of by business houses, but the postage on private correspondence shows that an old custom dies hard.

THERE will be a practice game of Hockey on the Club ground at 4.45 to-morrow, 1st inst. The following are amongst those intending to play:—Messrs. H. Grant Smith, Bowley, Brutton, Wodehouse, Robinson, Wakeman, Wilkinson, Loring, Cox, Cobbold, Rowcroft, McClure, Morrell, Moxon, Hooper, Pinckney, Barton and Holmes. There will also be a practice game on Thursday, the 2nd prox.

ON Saturday night, Chief Detective Inspector Hanson and a party of police raided a gambling establishment on the first floor of No. 244 Hollywood Road, and arrested twenty-two persons. One man in endeavouring to escape by clambering down the rain-water pipe fell to the ground and sustained injuries which rendered him unconscious. At the Magistracy to-day three of the prisoners were fined $25 as being keepers of a common gaming house, another was fined $15 for acting as watchman and the remainder were fined $2 each. The injured man was removed to the hospital.

ON the 19th inst., a ball was given on board H.M.S. *Algerine*, at Foochow, by Captain Slade and his officers. The ball was given in the Foochow Club, which was gorgeously decorated. At supper, says the local journal, H. B. M. Acting Consul, Mr E. H. Fraser, proposed the health of Capt. Slade and the officers of H. M. S. *Algerine*. Captain Slade responded, and in the course of his remarks alluded covertly to our popular Consul's happy circumstances, which allusion found great favour with all present. The kindness of Captain Slade and his officers as hosts on this occasion will not readily be forgotten, and we are sorry to learn at the moment of writing that we are so soon to lose their genial society.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS:—At *Kowloon*.—H.I.G.M.S. Kaiser Beechda'e, H.I.G.M.S. Kaiserin Augusta, Athenian, Isla de Cuba, Isla de Luzon, Monmouthshire, St. Enoch, Columbia, Hué.

Cosmopolitan.—Don Juan de Austria, Gaelic.

Aberdeen.—None.

PIANO Tuning and Repairs, New Music, Mandolins, Banjos, fine stock.—Robinson Piano Co.

THE cowardice of some men prevents them from posing as cowards.

THE wise man never boasts of his knowledge, but the man who thinks he is wise does nothing else.

IN consequence of numerous visits paid by the Maharajas to the Viceroy and Lord Curzon's return visits soon after, salutes were being fired nearly all day. These were done by the Gloucesters, as the Garrison Artillery were practising at Fulta. While Private Flynn was ramming home a charge it exploded, and blew off his right hand and badly scorched his face and chest. He is now in hospital in a precarious position.

M. DE LANESSAN endeavours to turn his countrymen from hysteria to business. He has been saying in the *Reppel*:—If I recall that Great Britain buys annually 1,300,000,000 frs. worth of our products, that is to say the third of what we sell, if I recall that her subjects spend an immense sum of money annually in this country, it is but to show the alternative of the persons who would like to see us break with Great Britain and throw ourselves into Germany's arms.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.']

LONDON, 27th January 1899.

PARR'S BANK ROBBERY.

The larger number of the bank notes (total, £40,000) recently stolen from Parr's Bank have been returned anonymously through the post.

RUSSIA AT PORT ARTHUR.

The correspondent of the *Standard* at Odessa states that the mortality among the Russian troops at Port Arthur is alarming, and that 215 deaths occurred in November and December.

THE SOUDAN.

A party of the Khalifa's followers has surrender to Colonel Kitchener at Abu-rukba.

THE PANTOMIME.

There was a good house on Saturday last for the seventh performance of the Pantomime. Some new songs and business were introduced, and the piece went as merrily as ever. 'Let 'em all come,' the new song of the King of Hearts, is sure to catch on, and we venture to predict that, before many weeks have passed every lad in the Colony will be lustily shouting out its lively chorus.

The ladies in the *Pas de Six* made their appearance in most exceedingly handsome and tasteful white dresses. They were heartily applauded after this effective dance, and received a basket of bouquets.

Mr Renning and the Band of H.M.S. *Victorious* must be congratulated on their work in the orchestra. At a very short notice they had to work up the music, pick up the cues and get the run of the show, without having seen it played once through in its entirety. There were some slight slips, but these will no doubt be rectified by Wednesday next, when there should be a big house, as we understand H.E. Sir Henry Blake and a large and distinguished party from Government House will honour the A.D.C. with their presence.

The Harlequinade has been cut out, and the piece now terminates with some clever fooling by the principal characters in the Transformation Scene.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., was held to-day in the offices of the Company. Hon. E. R. Belilios presided. The others present were:—Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving, Messrs. N. A. Siebs, C. Beurmann and Gomes (Directors), Thos. Arnold (Secretary), A. A. da Cruz, J. G. Rocha, C. N. Young, W. E. Clark, G. C. Anderson, G. Sharp, E. J. Moses, A. Denis m, J. Goosmann, E. Georg, T. Yule, R. M. Mehta, etc.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said.—Gentlemen, we will, with your permission, take the Report and Accounts as read. There is but little in connection therewith for me to remark upon. On the whole, I think that the result of the half-year's working may be does, with the aid of the amount brought forward from the previous account, to declare our usual dividend and, at the same time, write a substantial sum off the book value of the steamers. We have been working somewhat at a disadvantage during the latter months of the year, owing to the withdrawal of the 'Heungshan' for a lengthened period for rather extensive repairs to her machinery and boilers. In the last Report it was stated that the loss consequent upon the 'Powm's' collision would be charged to the Depreciation and Insurance Fund, but the amount being comparatively small, your Directors have thought it better to provide for it in the Profit and Loss Account and leave the Reserve intact. The Praya Reclamation Works are now sufficiently advanced for us to arrange for the erection of our new wharf, as nearly as possible on the old site occupied by the Company for over 30 years. The material has already been ordered, and we hope to see the structure completed before the end of this year. With regard to our Investments, I may say that every loan on mortgage shows an ample margin, while the shares stand in our books at a figure considerably under their present market value. In addition to this we have the respectable sum of $34,000 at the credit of our Investment Fluctuation Account. With these few remarks, gentlemen, I will propose the adoption of the report and accounts, but before doing so I shall be pleased to answer any questions which may suggest themselves to shareholders.

No questions being asked, the Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr Georg seconded.

Carried.

Mr G. C. Anderson proposed the re-election of the retiring auditors, Messrs A. O'D. Gourdin and F. Henderson.

Mr Moses seconded.

Carried.

The Chairman—That is all the business before the meeting, gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow at ten o'clock.

SLIGHTLY used Pianos, cheap, to clear for the summer, easy terms, full guarantee.—Robinson Piano Co.

LORD Kitchener is a martinet in the observance of rules, says a writer in a London weekly, and is severe in punishments. He comes down rather heavily on drunkenness, and for this reason has made himself to a certain extent unpopular with some of his soldiers. Rogers, his body servant, is a teetotaller, which is an exceedingly rare thing to find in the ranks of Tommy Atkins. 'Kitchener's cure for drunkenness' is a by-word among his men. Once taken, it is never forgotten. The culprit is togged out in full marching equipment, which is a matter of sixty pounds and is then compelled to carry in each hand a bag of shot weighing fifty pounds. A sergeant and a guard are put over the victim to see that he does not stop walking or drop the shot. A man is sometimes kept at this 'shot drill' for six hours.—*Kobe Chronicle*.

'NEVER KNEW IT TO FAIL.'

MR R. JOHNSTON, RAWALPINDI, Says:—'I have personally tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhœa Remedy, and have given it to travellers who are passing through a hotel I managed, and I must say I never know it to fail. It is a medicine I can recommend, and one that everybody should keep.'

CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA, AND DIARRHŒA REMEDY, is the most successful medicine in use for Dysentery, Diarrhœa, Colic, Cholera Morbus and Cholera, and is for sale everywhere. Price, 50 cts., and $1

General Agents:—WATKINS & Co.

SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before His Hon. Sir John P. Carrington, Chief Justice, and a Special Jury.)

Monday, January 30.

THE 'BEACONSFIELD' LITIGATION.

The suit arising out of the reconstruction of 'Beaconsfield' for Government Offices, which came first before the Court on December 5, and was adjourned on December 6 for a settlement of issues, was brought on again to-day.

Ah Hok, contractor, residing and carrying on business at No. 23 D'Aguilar Street, sued Mr Belilios for $11,200, being the balance of money due for work done and materials supplied on the building known as 'Beaconsfield,' lately in the occupation of Messrs Butterfield and Swire.

Hon. F. E. Pollock (instructed by Mr T. L. Dennys) appeared for the plaintiff; Mr J. J. Francis, Q. C. (instructed by Messrs Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for defendant.

The jury was constituted as follows:—Messrs R. Martin, H. M. Mehta, J. S. van Buren, W. Peate, W. R. Loxley, W. H. Potts, and C. F. Tomes.

Mr Pollock said in view of the long adjournment of the case, he would review the case from the commencement. In August last year, Mr Belilios, as he was losing his old tenants of 'Beaconsfield,' Messrs Butterfield and Swire, was anxious to get the Government as tenants of 'Beaconsfield.' In the first instance, he approached the Government upon that subject through Mr Stephens, solicitor. Mr Stephens wrote a letter to the Colonial Secretary on 30th August on behalf of Mr Belilios, pointing out to the Government that 'Beaconsfield' would be very suitable for Government Offices, and it would be advantageous for the Government to take 'Beaconsfield.' In that letter, Mr Stephens, on behalf of Mr Belilios, proposed certain terms of lease. These terms were not acceptable to the Government, and on 4th September the Colonial Secretary wrote a brief reply to Mr Stephens, requesting him to inform Mr Belilios that the Government declined the offer. Mr Belilios again instructed Mr Stephens to write to the Government. On 7th September, Mr Stephens accordingly addressed another letter to the Colonial Secretary modifying to a certain extent the proposals contained in the first letter. In that letter Mr Stephens pointed out the building might conveniently be adapted for offices for the Sanitary Board, the Medical Officer of Health, the Education Department, the Crown Solicitor's Office, and quarters for Chinese. Mr Stephens also said in that letter that Mr Belilios would cause the house to be thoroughly repaired and adapted for the circumstances. Eventually, after a good deal of correspondence, an agreement was come to between Mr Belilios and the Government for a lease for 3 years of 'Beaconsfield,' to commence from 1st January, 1898, upon the following condition, viz., that 'Beaconsfield' should be put into a state of thorough repair at the expense of Mr Belilios, and that such alterations and additions should be made on 'Beaconsfield' as were required by the Government for rendering 'Beaconsfield' suitable for Government Offices; and it was also agreed that Mr. Chatham should employ a contractor on behalf of Mr Belilios to carry out the necessary repairs, alterations and additions, and to do everything which was necessary to adapt the building to the wishes of the Government and Mr Belilios should pay for that work according to the scales of charges they usually paid Government contractors, and it was further arranged that Mr Chatham should supervise the execution of this work on behalf of Mr Belilios as his agent and architect, and that he should receive a commission of five per cent. upon the amount which the work cost, for supervising the work. In his answer, the defendant said he agreed to put the place into tenable repair, but from the correspondence it would be seen that the expression used was 'thorough repair.' Mr Danby, who was then architect for the defendant, made an estimate of the cost of the alterations at about $4000, and the repairs at about $2000, but the estimate was a very wild one and an absolutely incorrect one. It was absolutely impossible for anybody, however able he was, to estimate what would be the actual cost of repairing and altering an old building like 'Beaconsfield' which dated as far back as the fifties. Mr Chatham had, however, stated distinctly he would not be bound by the estimate made by Mr Danby.

The following issues were settled by the parties in chambers:—

1. (*a*) Did the defendant agree with the Government to put 'Beaconsfield' in thorough repair and to make all such alterations in it as the Government might require to fit it for the use of certain departments of the Government? or

(*b*) Did the defendant agree with the Government to put 'Beaconsfield' in tenantable repair, and to make certain definite alterations therein which had already been pointed out and agreed on?

2. If the latter, was the expenditure on the said repairs and alterations limited by the defendant to a sum of $6,000 or thereabouts, and if so, was such limit assented to by the Government?

3. If the agreement between the defendant and the Government was in the first instance limited as to the extent of the repairs and alterations (as in issue No. 1 b) or as to the amount of expenditure thereon (as in issue No. 2) or in both such respects, did the defendant by his subsequent conduct cause the Public Works Department or the plaintiff reasonably to believe, and did the said Department or the plaintiff so believe, that the defendant had waived his right to insist on such limitation in both or either of such respects?

4. Did the defendant, either expressly or impliedly, agree to pay for repairs and alterations according to the scale of charges for such work subsisting between the Government and the contractors?

5. (*a*) Did the defendant, either expressly or impliedly, authorize the Public Works Department to enter into any contract in his name or on his behalf with the plaintiff or with any other person to execute repairs and alterations to 'Beaconsfield'? or

(*b*) Did the defendant only authorize the Public Works Department, by themselves, their servants or agents, to execute repairs and alterations to 'Beaconsfield'?

6. (*a*) Did the Public Works Department through one William Chatham, an officer of such Department, employ the plaintiff to execute repairs and alterations to 'Beaconsfield' in the name or on behalf of the defendant? or

(*b*) Did the Public Works Department through the said William Chatham direct the plaintiffs to execute repairs and alterations to Beaconsfield on behalf of the Department as their employés?

7.—Was the plaintiff at the date of the commencement of the repairs and alterations to 'Beaconsfield' in the employ of the Public Works Department as their contractor to execute repairs and alterations to public buildings?

8.—Was the said William Chatham the authorised agent of the defendant to issue certificates?

9.—Is the defendant estopped by his payment to the plaintiff of $6,500 on a certificate issued by the said William Chatham from denying

(*a*.) That the plaintiff was employed in his name on his behalf.

(*b*.) That the said William Chatham was entitled to give certificates in favour of the plaintiff so as to bind the defendant, or

(*c*.) That the authority given to the Public Works Department was exceeded.

10.—Were the repairs and alterations to 'Beaconsfield' in lieu of those authorised by the defendant, and if so to what extent?

11.—Were the repairs and alterations to 'Beaconsfield' carried out in an unnecessarily expensive manner and with unnecessarily expensive materials and if so what is the extra cost thereby occasioned.

12. (*a*) Were the repairs and alterations to 'Beaconsfield' completed on or about the 19th day of January, 1898, as is alleged by the defendant in his answer? or

(*b*) Were the said repairs and alterations completed in or about the beginning of March, 1898, as is alleged by the plaintiff in his petition?

13. Did the plaintiff execute repairs and alterations to 'Beaconsfield' to the value of $17,700, and is a balance of $11,200 or some other and what sum due by the defendant to the plaintiff, in respect thereof.

The plaintiff having given evidence, the case was remanded till to-morrow at half-past ten o'clock.

RACING NOTES.

Saturday was a busy morning in the Happy Valley, and all and sundry interested in racing who could tear themselves from warm beds, in addition to the regular *habitues*, attended to witness the endeavour of owners to take a feel at the capabilities of their representatives.

Still caution was the order of the day with all except Mr Hopeful, who, wearing modestly the blushing honours of last year's successes, once more boldly threw down the *gage de combat* by sending *Obi* a mile at top speed. It may at once be said that his representative came out of the ordeal with flying colours, his mile in 2.12½ being a distinctly good performance—but it still remains to be seen whether the Derby course of 1½ miles is within his tether. Probably half trained before he left Shanghai, the pony has been allowed to take matters easy until the arrival of his owner—a fact which enhances the merit of the performance—yet he appeared to me in his best quarter, and it must be remembered that, although ridden by a mafoo, it was by a mafoo who is *facilis princeps* amongst mafoos.

This of course was the *bonne bouche* of the morning, and as *the* Derby is the event upon which public attention is centered, it may be as well to shortly review the work of the most prominent candidates for the blue ribbon of the meeting, although the Champions is the race that sets the seal upon their claims to affectionate memory.

Wild Rose went a mile and a-half, and this wear-and-tear customer, who has also the further recommendation of a gentleman-like appearance, although not asked to extend himself, must have thoroughly satisfied his owner that he possesses a pony who will not flinch when the supreme moment comes.

could win a race he would not be unlucky.

Century and *Mainstay* did useful work, but are not yet ready, and under the careful training of Mr Midwood, who since his arrival from Shanghai has taken them under his care, I shall be surprised if the better of the pair does not make a bold bid for victory.

Aberdeen, not over well ridden by a mafoo, went the mile and a-half in indifferent time, his last quarter occupying 33 seconds, but this does not make me forget how in different hands he did his last quarter-of-a-mile in 30 seconds, and it will be a bold man who stands badly against this competitor, who is blood-like all round.

Strathmore is a candidate whose form at present I cannot diagnose—like the policeman, who lately put all cases, of which he was doubtful, down as 'malarial fever,' so am I inclined to generalise, but he is decidedly useful.

Of the prominent candidates, there only remains *Yellow Dwarf*, and albeit the pony is small, every bit is good stuff. He is a thorough gentleman, and although I am writing to see him in the hands of a masterful man before forming a decided opinion, yet the nonchalant way in which he looks at the rails, as if to ask what do you want of me, gentlemen, tells me that he will never cut it, and his times come out best so far. Still a good big one must always beat a good little one.

I have now reviewed all the candidates I so far think have chances for the Derby, but shall keep both eyes open to watch for any other that shows promise.

Amongst the Subscription Griffins in addition to those previously noted, *Sirdar*, *Reveller*, *Strathdon* and *Jim Crow* strike me as useful.

For the long distance races in which the older competitors strive for classic honours, I have noticed that *Tyne* still possesses his turn of speed, and was impressed by his 1 min. 9 seconds for last half mile of a mile on Saturday. *Yenesei* has developed into a shapely pony, but do not think he is at his best just now. *Rockwood* is looking well and after his work at Amoy is nearly fit, but I do not fancy him beyond a mile. *Pine-apple* is only a shadow of his former self, and *Queensberry* although handsome does not strike me as having developed into a stager. *Charger* and *Forest King* have done so little work I can say nothing as to their present form, but *Tea Rose* and *White Rose* both strike me as retaining ancient form, especially the former.

THE LARK.

P. S.—A little bird chirps to me that I have given scant recognition to Mr David's stable in the Derby, and that the long-deferred turn in the tide of fortune may be expected to be in flood this year.

P. P. S.—The same little bird whispers *Dunrobin*. Echo—'Not yet!'

BRINSMEAD & Allison Pianos, the very best value.—Robinson Piano Co.

THE *Singapore Free Press* of January 20 says:—Mr Frank Polter, recently mate of the S.S. *Malacca* and afterwards of the S.S. *Glenfalloch*, but who had been for some months out of employment, committed suicide by shooting himself at the Central Hotel, where he was a boarder. Deceased, who was comparatively a young man and held an extra-master's certificate, kept to his room all morning and the signs of blood dropping through the floor upstairs gave the first indication that anything was wrong, the report of the revolver apparently not attracting attention. On entering the room the deceased was found to be lying in a pool of blood, with a revolver by his side, Mr Polter having fired the fatal shot into his mouth.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—

On the 30th at 11.30 a.m. The barometer has risen moderately on the E. coast of China, fallen slightly on the S. coast. The depression in E. Japan is moving into the Pacific, and pressure is highest in N. China. Gradients slight to moderate, for N.E. winds, on the coast and in the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—moderate N.E. winds; fine.

D'ARC'S MARIONETTES AT WEST POINT.

OPENING PERFORMANCE.

On Saturday night, Mons. George Lambert D'Arc's Marionettes gave their first performance in the Bijou Theatre, Praya West. The building was crowded to excess, every available seat being occupied, and a number of people could not even find standing accommodation. An excellent view of the stage can be seen from all parts of the house. The midget stage is a regular work of art, the drop scene being a Siamese scene. The Marionettes created quite a stir in every country they have visited, and had an unrivalled run at Bangkok, previous to sailing for Hongkong. The programme opened with a tight rope performance in which the little figures were worked with a most natural-like movement. The inebriated Pierrot on stilts was ridiculously funny. The turns of the chair performer and equilibrist, the contortionist and boneless wonder and the pole performer claimed the intense attention of the audience. A Chinese carnival was greatly appreciated by Europeans and natives alike. The audience were kept in a state of watchful excitement on the appearance of Mother Shipton, while the antics of the Komical Kures occasioned much merriment. The transformation of the Mysterious Turk into Court and bar was very cleverly effected. The turn of the magnetic skeletons was very gruesome. A Lilliputian nigger troupe gave a very clever imitation of a court minstrel entertainment. The second part of the programme was occupied by the production of the pantomime 'Robinson Crusoe' in six scenes, and afterwards a harlequinade, the performance concluding with a transformation scene, 'A Sailors Dream.' The whole entertainment is a marvel of mechanism. The scenery and stage appointments are superbly beautiful. Pianoforte selections were played during the evening by Mr J. Wilton Gonsalves. The management have made arrangements for increased accommodation, particulars of which will be found in another column.

CRICKET.

THE BAND, ROYAL WELSH FUSILIERS v. HONGKONG POLICE.

This Match was played at the Happy Valley on Saturday last and resulted in a win for the Police by 51 runs. Scores:—

THE BAND.

Waterson, c Withers, b Langley	4
Dyer, b Langley	1
Stafford, st. Rogers, b Brett	0
Thompson, b Brett	2
Hunt, c Withers, b Brett	0
Gregory, c and b Langley	3
Amesbury, c and b Brett	12
White, run out	5
Ardel, b Brett	2
Gurk, not out	0
Total	37

POLICE.

Dymond, b Dyer	10
Brett, c White, b Stafford	3
McHardy, c Hunt, b White	10
Langley, b Dyer	3
Rogers, c Amesbury, b White	19
Tuohy, b White	1
Withers, b White	5
Cameron, b White	21
Warnock, b Stafford	10
Quinn, not out	0
Terrett, c Amesbury, b Stafford	1
Extras	5
Total	88

FOOTBALL.

25TH CO., S.D.R.A. v. C. CO., R.W.F.

(SHIELD TIE.)

This match was played at the Happy Valley on Saturday, before a large crowd of spectators. The Artillerymen kicked off, and soon monopolised the ball. After banging away at the Fusiliers' goal for about a quarter of an hour, a mismanaged throw-in on the right wing enabled the Fusiliers to break away, and a smart pass over to the left wing gave the outsider a chance to dash past the backs and notch a smartly taken goal. For remainder of the period, the Artillerymen pressed, but, owing to the phenomenally good goal-keeping of the Fusiliers' custodian, were unable to equalise. In the second period, the Artillery still had three-fourths of the play, and just when the spectators expected time to sound with the weaker eleven in the lead the R.A.s equalised from a capital shot, which no goalkeeper could have kept out.

No other points having been scored when time sounded, the sides crossed over once more, and the Artillery scored in the first quarter and won:—

25th Co., S.D. ..... 2 goals.
C. Company ..... 1 ,,

The score by no means indicates the relative strength of the teams. Last year's runners-up were in capital form, and against a less competent goalkeeper would have scored repeatedly. As it was, it seemed to be a goalkeeper (and ten others) against a whole eleven—that is to say, the ten others did not count for much. The Fusiliers' goalkeeper saved more brilliantly than ever we have seen before in this Colony, and if the Regiment has a better custodian he must be class for a league eleven. The R.A.s played a better game than last season, and will be a team to reckon with in the remaining ties. Front rank, half-backs and full-backs were all strong on Saturday, and it was not so much owing to faulty shooting as brilliant goal-keeping that their score was so small. Mr J. W. L. Oliver's excellent refereeing was one of the features of the game, and we hope he will be available for all the ties.

HONGKONG F.C. v. ROYAL ARTILLERY.

This match was played on the military ground, Happy Valley, on Saturday, and ended in a win for the Club by 2 goals to 1. Play was not of a high order.

THE Emperor of China has conferred on Sir Halliday Macartney, K.C.M.G., the dignity of the Peacock's Feather as the latest recognition of his services to China in the capacity of councillor to the Legation in London. Sir Halliday has already been the recipient of other Chinese honours and decorations, and the Peacock's Feather comes as an added favour.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

The General Managers have pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders a statement of the Company's accounts for the year 1898. Including $1,440.52 brought forward from last year, and after deducting $10,000 paid on the 27th July last as an interim Dividend of $2 per share, the balance at credit of Profit and Loss is $59,984.14 which it is recommended should be appropriated as follows:—

A final Dividend of $6.50..... per share	$32,500.00
To write off Property Account	$25,000.00
To carry forward	$ 2,484.14
	$59,984.14

The extension to the Works referred to in the Report for 1897 has now been almost completed, but owing to the continued increase in the demand for the Company's product a further outlay for plant, estimated at $38,000, will be necessary during the current year.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

HONGKONG, 30th January, 1899.

THE STUDY OF MALARIA AND MOSQUITOES.

The following circular despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, with its enclosure, is published in the *Gazette*, and persons willing to assist the Government in making the collections referred to are requested to communicate at once with Mr Ford, Superintendent of the Botanical and Afforestation Department:—

In my Circular despatch of the 19th of August last, I referred to an intended investigation of Malaria.

A Commission has now been appointed for the purpose and is about to proceed to Africa.

The Commissioners will report, from time to time, to a Committee appointed jointly by the Royal Society and myself, who will exercise a general supervision over the enquiry.

It has been suggested by this Committee, that, in view of the possible connection of Malaria with mosquitoes, it is desirable to obtain exact knowledge of the different species of mosquitoes and allied insects in the various tropical colonies. I will therefore ask you, if there are facilities for the purpose, to be good enough to take the necessary steps at your early convenience to have collections made of the winged insects in the colony which bite man or animals.

I enclose a printed copy of directions which have been drawn up by the British Museum for the guidance of those who may be employed on the work, and would add that several specimens of each kinds of insect should be obtained and that they should be sent direct to the British Museum (Natural History), Cromwell Road, London, S.W., to be examined and classified. A first series of the specimens will be retained by the Museum, whilst the duplicates will be available for distribution as may be desired.

As the question of the scientific investigation of Malaria is one to which I attach great importance, I trust that every effort will be made to carry out as speedily and as thoroughly as possible the directions contained in this despatch.

TRANSPOSING and Cabin Pianos are invaluable and very strong.—Robinson Piano Co.

A syndicate, governing [illegible] factories have created factories except two have resolved to enter the syndicate, the purpose of which is a manipulation of the domestic market for the purpose of higher prices.

Exchange.

HONGKONG, January 30, 1899.

On London—	
Bank, Wire	1/11⅞
,, On demand	1/11⅞
,, 30 days' sight	1/11⅞
,, 4 months' sight ...	1/11⅞
Credits, 4 ,, ...	1/11⅞
Documentary, 4 months' sight ...	2/
On Paris—	
On demand	2.47
Credits, 4 months' sight ...	2.51
On Berlin—Demand	2.00
On New York—	
On demand	47½
Credits, 60 days' sight	48⅛
On Bombay—	
Wire	145½
On demand	146
On Calcutta—	
Wire	145½
On demand	146
On Singapore—	
On demand	1⅞ pm.
On Manila—	
On demand	1⅞ pm.
On Shanghai—	
On demand	71⅞
30 days' sight, (private paper) ...	72⅛
On Yokohama—	
On demand	5⅞ pm.
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael) ...	$32.75
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) ...	$10.07
Silver (per oz.)	27⅝d.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, Jan. 30, 1899.

OPIUM—	New Patna, cash, ...	$10
,,	Old ,, cash, ...	Nom.
,,	New Benares, cash,	813
,,	Old ,, cash, ...	Nom.
,,	New Malwa, credit ...	718/713
	Allowance, Taels, ...	8/32
,,	Last Year new, ...	730
	Allowance, Taels, ...	Nom.
,,	Old Malwa credit, ...	740/738
	Allowance, Taels ...	32
,,	Persian, Paper tied	8/16
	Allowance Taels ...	Nom.

Hongkong Register.

	Previous day 4 p.m.	On Rain at 10 a.m.	4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Barometer ...	30.09	30.17	30.16
Temperature	58	59	60
Humidity ...	38	49	55
Direction of Wind ...	N	N	N
Force	3	4	4
Weather	b	b	b
Rain	—	—	—

Highest open air temperature on the 29th 62
Lowest open air temperature on the 29th 51

F. G. FIGE, *First Assistant.*

Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 30, 1899.

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, Jan. 30, 1899.

BAROMETER—	9 A.M.	30.08
Do.	1 P.M.	30.05
Do.	4 P.M.	30.02
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M.	59
Do.	1 P.M.	62
Do.	4 P.M.	61
Do.	(Wet bulb) 9 A.M.	53
Do.	Do. 1 P.M.	55
Do.	Do. 4 P.M.	55
Do. Maximum		62
Do. Minimum overnight		51

To-day's Advertisements

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB

Will Give Two More Performances of the Pantomime

'THE YELLOW DWARF,'

On
WEDNESDAY, 1st February, 1899,
at 8.30 p.m.,
(Under the Distinguished Patronage of Their Excellencies
SIR HENRY BLAKE, G.C.M.G.,
and
LADY BLAKE)
And on
SATURDAY, 4th February, 1899,
at 8.30 p.m.

Dress Circle ... ... $3.
Stalls ... ... $2.
Pit ... ... $1.

Half-Price to Soldiers, Sailors and Police in Uniform to the Pit.

The Ticket Office is now Open and will Continue Open each day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Last Trams to the Peak.

H. O. NICOLLE,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 245

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Thirtieth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, will be held at the Offices of the Company, Pedder's Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st day of March, 1899, at 12 o'clock (Noon), to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1898, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th Feb. to the 1st March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 248

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
LOONGMOON,
Captain F. SCHULZ, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 1st February, at 4 p.m.

This steamer has superior Accommodation for First and Second-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, January 28, 1899. 241

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship
CHIHLI,
Captain Newcomb, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 2nd Feb., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 251

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN, AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX;
ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON SATURDAY, the 11th February, at Noon, the Company's Steamship *LAOS*, Captain FLANDIN, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal Place of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 10th February. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 248

STEAMSHIP *SYDNEY.*

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from LONDON and HAVRE, ex S. S. *Douro*; and BORDEAUX, ex S. S. *Antilles*, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables—are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LD., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON, TO-DAY (Monday), the 30th Inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 6th February, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before MONDAY, the 6th February, or they will not be recognised.

All Damaged Packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 6th February, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 249

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Loading.
Australian Ports	Changsha (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 1, at noon.
Bremen & Ports of Call	Prëussen (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	Feb. 1, at 9 a.m.
Havre, H'burg/B'men	Dorothea Rickmers (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	February 6.
Havre, H'burg/B'men	Sarnia (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About Feb. 18.
Havre, H'burg/B'men	Silesia (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About March 10.
Havre, H'burg/B'men	Suevia (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About March 20.
Havre, H'burg/B'men	Wittenberg (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About March 31.
Kobé	Bombay (-)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 1.
Kobé	Chingtu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	eb. 4, at noon.
London & Ports of Call	Bengal (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 4, at Noon.
London, v. Suez Canal	Tantalus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 7, at noon.
London	Malacca (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 8.
Manila	Changsha (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 1, at noon.
Manila	Yuensang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Feb. 6 at 3 p.m.
M'saelles, London, &c.	Kamakura Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Feb. 2, at 4 p.m.
Nag saki, Kobe & Y'ma	Rosetta (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 4, at 4 p.m.
N'ki M'ji, K'be & Y'ma	Futami Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Feb. 7, at 4 p.m.
New York, v. Suez Canal	Pathan (s)	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	About Feb. 2.
New York, v. Suez Canal	Commonwealth (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co	Jan. 31, at 5 p.m.
New York, v. Suez Canal	Indrani (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	About Feb. 20.
New York	Kenmore (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About end of Feb.
Portland, Oregon	Monmouthshire (s)	Dodwell & Co., Limited	Feb. 18, at noon.
San Diego v. Japan	Carmarthenshire (s)	Butterfield & Swire	About Feb 25.
San Francisco	Queen Margaret	Shewan, Tomes & Co	Quick despatch.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	Gaelic (s)	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Feb. 2, daylight.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	China (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Feb. 16, at noon.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	Hongkong Maru (s)	Toyo Ki-en Kaisha	Feb. 7, at noon.
S'hai, N'ki, K'bé & Y'ma	Sydney (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Jan. 30, at 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Coromandel (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 4.
Shanghai	Chihli (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 1, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai	Loongmoon (s)	Siemssen & Co.	Feb. 1, at 4 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & C'tta	Catherine Apcar (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Jan. 31, at 3 p.m.
S'tow, Amoy & F'chow	Haitan (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Jan. 31, daylight.
Tacoma (Wash.), &c.	Victoria (s)	Dodwell & Co., Limited	Feb. 14, at noon.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c.	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'ific R. Co	Feb 15 at noon.

To-day's Advertisements

BIJOU THEATRE,
RECLAMATION GROUND,
PRAYA WEST.

Enthusiastic Reception of
D'ARC'S NEW MARIONETTES.

Their Opening Performance
A TRIUMPHANT SUCCESS.
TO-NIGHT,
And Every Evening at 9 P.M.
THE
SAME
GIGANTIC
PROGRAMME.

PRICES:—Boxes to hold Six, $15; Reserved Stalls, $2; Unreserved Seats, $1; Pit, 50 Cents; Gallery, (for Chinese only) 30 Cents.

Children under 12, and Soldiers, Sailors and Police, in Uniform, Half-price to all Parts except Boxes and Gallery.

Doors Open at 8 p.m., Overture at 9 sharp.

Plan at the ROBINSON PIANO Co.

Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 247

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 8 PER CENT., or $1.20 per SHARE, Declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held THIS DAY, will be PAYABLE at the BANKING CORPORATION, on and after TUESDAY, the 31st January, 1899.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for WARRANTS.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 250

DOUGLAS STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW AMOY & FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship
HAITAN,
Captain ROACH, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 31st Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 243

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship
YUENSANG,
Captain P. H. ROLFE, R.N.R., will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 6th February, at 3 p.m.

This steamer has superior accommodation for First class Passengers,

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 244

'GLEN' LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM MIDDLESBORO', LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship *Glenesk* having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LIMITED at KOWLOON, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY, the 30th Instant.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 4th February, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 11th February, otherwise they will not be recognised.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 30, 1899. 246

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
January 28.

Kong Beng, British steamer, 862, F. W. Joslin, Saigon Jan. 23, Rice.—WOO KEE.

Wongkoi, British str., 1,115, Stonham, Bangkok Jan. 21, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

January 29.

Glenfalloch, British str., 1,434, Peters, Singapore Jan. 21, General.—JOO TECK SING.

Haitan, British steamer, 1,183, J. S. Roach, Foochow January 26, Amoy 27, and Swatow 28, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Chunshan, British steamer, 1,230, J. F. Messer, Singapore January 21, General.—BRADLEY & Co.

Glenesk, British steamer, 2,275, Darke, London Dec. 1, and Singapore January 20, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

January 30.

Sydney, French steamer, 2,076, Aubert, Marseilles Dec. 25, and Saigon Jan. 26; Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Dardanus, British steamer, 2,692, Goodwin, Liverpool Dec. 11, and Singapore Jan. 22, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hohenzollern, German steamer, 2,039, E. Wolterstorff, Yokohama Jan. 20, Kobe 24, and Nagasaki 26, General.—MELCHERS & Co.

Hoihao, French str., 508, J. C. Gerard, Pakhoi Jan. 27, and Hoihow 29, General.—A. R. MARTY.

Lugal, German steamer, 1,237, Lorenzen, Saigon Jan. 21, Rice.—CARLOWITZ & Co.

Rattler, British gunboat, 715, Hon. G. A. Hardinge, Manila Jan. 24.

Tokio Maru, Japanese str., 1,675, De Iando, Moji Jan. 25, Coal.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Else, German steamer, 903, J. Petersen, Bangkok Jan. 19, Rice.—JEBSEN & Co.

Tai-fu, German, str. 1,065, R. Schuldt, Saigon Jan. 25, Rice and Paddy.—MEYER & Co.

DEPARTURES.
January 29.

Nanyetsu Maru, for Saigon.
Haitan, for Hoihow.
Ask, for Padang.
Doyo Maru, for Saigon.
Hanoi, for Haiphong.
Fuksang, for Amoy and Portland, Or.

January 30.

Ebani, for Hongay.
Nanyang, for Saigon.
Kinshiu Maru, for Kobe.
Pechili, for Tokau.
Esmeralda, for Manila.
Tordenskjold, for Saigon.
Sydney, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Haitan, for Swatow.
Commonwealth, for Singapore and New York.
Chiyo Maru, for Moji.
Dardanus, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.

Per *Glenfalloch*, from Singapore, 128 Chinese.

Per *Haitan*, from Coast Ports, Mr Guig, Miss Carling, Miss Saddler, Mr Saddler, Rev. A. Connell, and 98 Chinese.

Per *Chunshan*, from Singapore, 40 Chinese.

Per *Sydney*, from Marseilles, &c., Messrs Thompson, Dewar, Sambue, Mrs Aublet and 2 children, Messrs Hofman, R. Niven, Douzel, and Hardy, Sisters F. de Salles and Emanuel, Mr Saunder, Mr Kubota, Mr Obermiller, and 102 Chinese.

Per *Dardanus*, from Singapore, 950 Chinese.

Per *Hohenzollern*, from Yokohama, &c., Mr J. T. Richardson, Mrs Arnold, Messrs E. George, A. Richter, P. Schramm, Miss T. Focke, Mr W. Francis, Dr von Schab, Dr and Mrs Papellier and child, Messrs G. M. Cutting, H. Baumchen, F. Arnowitsch, P. de Goloumine, G. Eogenieff, and 8 Chinese.

DEPARTED

Per *Sydney*, from Hongkong: for Shanghai, Miss Piry, Messrs P. Piry, J. Glass, Geo. A. Derby, H. C. Smart, L. Thompson, J. Doe, R. Guida, Ridpeth, Lo Tze Hong, Abbas Ali, Capt. Twist, Capt. J. W. Lee, Mr and Mrs Mars; for Nagasaki, Mr and Mrs L. Hepstein, 1 Japanese and 2 Chinese; for Kobe, Mr Y. Yamamoto, and 4 Chinese; for Yokohama, Messrs S. Isaacs, J. McCottal, and 1 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Kong Beng* reports: Strong N. to N.N.E. wind and high sea, cloudy weather.

The British steamer *Wongkoi* reports: Fresh monsoon to Pulo Obi; thence to port, moderate to strong N.E. gales.

The British steamer *Glenfalloch* reports: Strong monsoon, with heavy head sea.

The British steamer *Haitan* reports: Moderate monsoon, with fine clear weather. Steamer in Foochow: *Fooksang*. Str. in Amoy: *Namyong*. Steamers in Swatow: *Kaigan*, *Newchwang*, *Dewsrongse*, and *Taicheong*.

The British steamer *Chunshan* reports: Very heavy monsoons, with heavy head sea from Singapore to Cape Padaran; in the Tong-king Gulf, the monsoons lighter but sea heavier. Haihow to Hongkong, weather fine. Jan. 23rd, spoke s.s. *Sishan*, off Saigon, bound to Saigon.

The French steamer *Sydney* reports: Fine weather, moderate monsoon from Colombo to Hongkong.

The British steamer *Dardanus* reports: Strong N.E. winds and heavy sea.

The German steamer *Hohenzollern* reports: Left Yokohama Jan. 20th, at 10 a.m.; and arrived Kobe 21st, at 2.30 p.m., got during the voyage strong N.W. winds, fine weather. Left Kobe 24th, at 10 a.m.; passed Shimonoseki 25th, at 8 a.m; and arrived Nagasaki the same day, at 7.30 p.m., got during the voyage strong N.W. wind, fine weather. Left Nagasaki 26th, at 4 p.m.; passed Turnabout 28th, at 8.30 p.m.; Brothers 29th, at 9 a.m.; and arrived Hongkong 30th, at 1.30 a.m. Got from Nagasaki N.W. wind, fine weather; North of Turnabout, strong N.N.W., with rain; last part, N.E. monsoon, moderate, fine weather.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW, Per *Haitan*, at 8 a.m., on Tuesday, the 31st January. (Supplementary).

For SINGAPORE.—
Per *Empire*, at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, the 31st January.

For SWATOW & BANGKOK.—
Per *Chow Tai*, at 8 a.m., on Wednesday, the 1st February.

For SWATOW & AMOY.—
Per *Chunshan*, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, the 1st February.

For MANILA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.—
Per *Changsha*, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 1st February.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
Per *Rosetta*, at 3 p.m., on Saturday, the 4th February.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU & SAN DIEGO.—
Per *Carmarthenshire*, at 10 a.m., on Saturday, the 25th February.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Catherine Apcar*, at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, the 31st January.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.—
Per *Kamakura Maru*, at 3 p.m., on Thursday, the 2nd February.

TIMES FOR TO-MORROW

Shipping.

Daylight.—*Haitan*, leaves for Swatow.

3 p.m.—*Catherine Apcar* leaves for C'tta.

Miscellaneous.

Dividend of $1.20 on shares of Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ld., payable.

General Memoranda

WEDNESDAY, February 1:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ld., at the Company's Offices, Victoria Buildings.
Transfer Books of China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., closed from this date to 17th February, both days inclusive.
8.30 p.m.—Performance of the A. D. C. Pantomime, at City Hall Theatre.

THURSDAY, February 2:—
Goods per *Wakasa Maru* not cleared after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, February 3:—
Goods per *Cupid* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, February 4:—
Register of shares of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, closed from this date to the 18th February, both days inclusive.
Goods per *Glenesk* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, February 6:—
Goods per *Sydney* unclaimed after Noon, this date, subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, February 8:—
Noon. Meeting of Shareholders of the Ice Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices, Pedder Street.

FRIDAY, February 17:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office, No. 9, Praya Central.
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at the City Hall.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

IMPORTERS OF HIGH-CLASS
SHERRIES.

	Per doz. Case
B SUPERIOR PALE DRY, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule	$ 9.80
C MANZANILLA, PALE NATURAL SHERRY, White Capsule	12.60
CC SUPERIOR OLD DRY, PALE NATURAL SHERRY, Red Seal Capsule	13.60
D VERY SUPERIOR OLD PALE DRY, choice old wine, White Seal Capsule	14.40
E EXTRA SUPERIOR OLD PALE DRY, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled)	20.40

B, C, and CC are excellent dinner Wines and suitable for invalids and delicate stomachs. D and E are after dinner Wines of a very superior vintage. All are true Xeres Wines.

Sample bottles and smaller quantities will be supplied at proportionate wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841. 9167

MARRIAGES.

On the 28th Jan., at St. Joseph's Church, Hongkong, by the Rev. Father de Maria, CHARLES THOMAS ROBINSON, of Waltham Green, London, to BRIDGET BURKE, of Blackheath.

On 19th January, at the Cathedral of the Good Shepherd, by the Rev. Father Nain, MARY ELIZA CAROLINE, eldest daughter of J. M. C. Cornelius, to ROBERT KING SHORTHAM PENTNEY, Captain s. s. *Chiang Hock Kiang*.

DEATHS.

On the 25th Dec., at Edinburgh, FARQUHAR CARNIE, late of Chinkiang, second son of Charles Carnie, formerly of Singapore, in his 58th year.

On the 22nd Dec., at Wyefield, The Knoll, Blackenham, ISABELLA WHITE, the beloved wife of William Alexander Cornabé.

☞ *The publication of this issue commenced at 6.00 p.m.*

The China Mail.

HONGKONG MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 1899.

REFORM IN CHINA.

[CONTRIBUTED.]

II.

A lesson on Fidelity to the Throne is the text of Chapter II., in which the benevolence of the present dynasty is compared with the harshness of China's past rulers in no less than fifteen points. The conclusion drawn in every case is that the benevolence of the present royal house completely overshadows all past Emperors in this regard. Hence the appeal to the fidelity of the people. It is not easy for the average European with but a moderate knowledge of Chinese to fully appreciate all the writer's allusions or test his proofs. The Chapter discovers a very extensive and minute knowledge of the past history of China and its government, and many works must have been laid under tribute in finding proofs to support the author's contention. At the risk of being somewhat dry, we give an outline of his argument:—

(1) Past dynasties taxed both the people and the land; the Manchus tax the land only.

(2) Although the Empire suffered on account of floods and famine, ancient Emperors did not rebate the taxes; this we have frequently done nowadays.

(3) Whenever any calamities overwhelmed the people, past dynasties helped them but little; the present dynasty has often liberally assisted the distressed.

(4) Past dynasties compelled the people to work on public works, as, for example, on the Great Wall and the Imperial racecourse, for which they received no wages; we always pay fair wages for all work done.

(5) Ancient dynasties fixed their own prices for all commodities needed for Imperial use; our dynasty purchases such as it needs at the current market price.

(6) Past dynasties demanded gratuitous land such as fruits, silk, etc., for Imperial use, to be forwarded in addition to the usual taxes; we receive much less.

(7) Of old whenever the Emperor made a tour of inspection, the people were compelled to find support for his retinue free; the present dynasty pays for everything.

(8) Anciently, the people served in the army and received no pay—each relied on his own family; now soldiers receive Imperial pay.

(9) Anciently the task of suppressing rebellions fell on the people; now the Throne maintains an army from funds raised from selling honorary degrees to the wealthy, so that the poor go free.

(10) The punishment which ancient dynasties meted out to criminals was severe; the laws of the present dynasty are merciful.

(11) In the past, the Emperors did not exert themselves to suppress slavery—raids were constantly made on the people, who were ruthlessly carried off as slaves; the present rulers of China watch over the people. They have prohibited slavery to Cuba. They protect the Chinese in America.

(12) Ancient dynasties were constantly at war; we avoid war and desiderate peace; in proof which he mentions the attitude of China to all foreign Powers.

(13) In the past, learning was not always encouraged. Hence plebians, like priests and coolies, were enthroned as officials; now learning to exalted, and only men of recognised ability are employed as Mandarins.

(14) Ancient dynasties were verily guilty of extravagant nepotism; of this charge the present one is free.

(15) Anciently, the parents and children of those who worked, suffered and died for the State were forgotten; the present dynasty is ever watchful of their needs and also confers posthumous honours.

Having thus made it abundantly clear to all those who are ignorant of the past, and oblivious of the present that China was never so well governed, her interests never so sleeplessly watched over, her peace and plenty never so much desiderated, and her people never so eminently and substantially happy and prosperous as to-day; he confidently appeals to all classes to be loyal to the Throne and Emperor, and to close their ears to all attempts to seduce them from this great privilege. He concludes: 'I have examined the last 2000 years of our nation's history and the history of European nations for the last 50 years, and there is none like unto China. Just now, she may neither be rich nor strong, yet all classes of the people may command both peace and happiness. Although the Western nations appear to be strong, the masses live in poverty and distress. This poverty and distress may be hidden from the casual observer, but whenever an opportunity occurs it bursts forth before all. They proceed to assassinate their Emperors and Presidents and Great Rulers. From this, we know that these countries do not equal China. Therefore, all seductions to sedition, conspiracies and revolt put far from you; cherish and preserve the Empire as you preserve your own body.'

The value of the Viceroy's arguments may be approximately appraised by all who are familiar with modern China. What does the author mean by the statement that the present dynasty does not tax anything except the land? He remarks, after enumerating the several classes of society, that should neither they nor their families possess any land, it matters not what other business they may pursue; they do not pay a single cash to the mandarins. Europeans have generally believed that most commodities are taxed, more or less, in China. There may be difference of opinion as to the *burden* of taxation. This is not the question. Do business people pay taxes or do they not? Paper is made in the interior of China. It is taxed at the first likin station on the river before the boat and its cargo are allowed to pass. Nay, the captain may thank his stars, and burn incense as a thankoffering to his idol, if he escapes with this. In the Provincial city, the paper is made into a book, but before it can be shipped from Canton to Shanghai, it is taxed again. Surely now it will be allowed to enter the northern port free. No. If the shipper sends on the Custom-House papers from Canton to Shanghai, as a guarantee, the import duties at the latter port will be rebated one-half; if he neglects to do so, the full pound of flesh will be exacted again. There is no contention here as to whether this policy is wise or unwise, suicidal or trade-developing. The question is: Will these facts harmonize with the contention of the author, viz., that in China the land only is taxed; that business men pay nothing toward the support of the Government.

Now is the truth of his argument in regard to the leniency of Chinese law during the present dynasty more apparent. The punishment by which ancient rulers tried to prevent or suppress crime may have been more revolting than those in vogue to-day. If this be so, however, one can only shudder at the fiercer cruelty of a more powerful, and perhaps barbarous, tyranny. But to the gentleness of the attitude of the rulers in China to-day towards the criminal classes a thing to boast of, and parade? Canton prisons to-day furnish most harrowing sights, that anyone may see and shudder at who will give a five-cent piece to a callous jailor. Criminals crouch in loathesome dens, who say they have worn the cangue for years, and under the heavy weight and dread monotony of this species of punishment look more like demons than human beings. Not infrequently, long processions of brutalized men are carried forth to the slaughter, each borne in a basket, between two coolies, through the most populous and influential of Chinese streets, whereupon the shopkeepers crowd to the doors of their stores and stare as if they [illegible] sion, or a mandarin and his retinue going to pay a complimentory visit. Upon the city wall, over the South gate, scores of human beings may often be seen chained together by heavy chains and heavier iron rods, so closely that they cannot stand erect nor move easily. They are often detained there day and night for long weeks, weltering in the broiling sun of summer and shivering in the cold wind of winter, most of them awaiting a doom, for which ultimately they crave. Not in frequently the gong sounds in the peculiar way which announces a Chinese thief is being thrashed through the streets. Presently the poor wretch passes by, with arms tightly pinioned, whose bare back has already become the colour of raw liver, and as the gong sounds yet more blows fall on the quivering flesh of the writhing shrinking wretch. Does his Excellency knows these things? He governed Canton for about five years, and as things go in China, governed it well. Europeans and thoughtful Chinese, who have read the book in question and are familiar with the facts mentioned above, must infer that if the author's statements in regard to China's rulers of the past, are reliable, they were as bloodthirsty and relentless as Im Lo Wong, the ruler of the Chinese Hades, representations of whose gentle spirit are on view, on any day, for visitors in the city temple of the City of Rams. Perhaps, however, they will infer something else; but certainly not that modern China is a model in regard to the way in which she deals with her criminal classes.

THERE was a good deal of fuss and some ill-feeling at Colombo when it became known that the Governor, Sir West Ridgeway, intended to make the voyage to England in the N.D.L. steamer *Barbarossa*. One correspondent of the *Times of Ceylon* says that, 'in view of the recent reports by British Consuls of the advance made by foreign merchant-shipping all over the world, it seems impossible that a Colonial Governor should deliberately do what he can to accentuate this.' Our contemporary returns to the subject in a later issue with the following explanation:—We understand that His Excellency has been very reluctantly obliged to desert the P. & O. Company—by which line he has made some 20 voyages—in consequence of the rigid rule regarding dogs which is now enforced, and which, it is understood, has also been adopted by the Orient Company. An appeal was made to Sir West Ridgeway's friend, Sir Thomas Sutherland, but even he could not relax the rule. In consequence, a line which had not the prohibitive rule was resorted to, and the *Barbarossa*, a vessel of 10,500 tons, was chosen as providing exceptionally spacious and luxurious accommodation, this being doubly acceptable at the present time to Lady Ridgeway.

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HOMEWARD BOUND:—*Myrmidon*, Jan. 3; *Melbourne*, 10; *Ceylon*, *Hansa*, 13; *Orestes*, 17; *Glenartney*, *Beatrice*, *Kowloon*, 20; *Ernest Simons*, *Sumatra*, *Marquis Bacquehem*, 27.

Mails.

The Imp. German Mail s. s. *Prussen* left Shanghai on the 28th Jan., at noon, and may be expected here on or about Monday evening, the 30th Jan.

The Imp. German Mail s. s. *Sachsen*, carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 9th Jan., left Colombo on the afternoon of the 27th Jan., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 8th Feb.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s. s. *China*, with mails &c., from San Francisco to the 7th Jan., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave for this port on the morning of 28th Jan., via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

The O. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Doric*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 17th Jan.

Steamers Expected.

The C. N. Co.'s steamer *Chingtu*, from Australian ports, left Port Darwin on the 18th Jan. for this port, via Manila, and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 29th Jan.

The Ben steamer *Benmohr*, from Leith, Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the 27th Jan., for this port.

The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Bombay* left Singapore for this port on the 24th Jan., at 9 p.m.

The O. S. S. Co.'s str. *Antenor*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore on the morning of 28th Jan., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 30th Jan.

The C. M. Co.'s str. *Moyune*, from Glasgow etc., passed the Canal on the 17th Jan., and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 5th Feb.

The N. P. Co.'s s. s. *Victoria* has arrived at Yokohama, and sails for Kobe and Hongkong on the 26th Jan.

The H. A. L. steamer *Suevia* left Hamburg for Hongkong, &c., via ports of call on the 30th Dec., and may be expected here on or about the 14th February next.

The N. Y. K. s. s. *Kamakura Maru* left Shimonoseki for this port on the morning of 28th Jan., and is expected to arrive here on the 1st Feb.

The N. P. Co.'s s. s. *Tacoma* sailed from Tacoma, for Japan and Hongkong, on the 18th Jan.

Latest Advices.

The N. G. L. s. s. *Prussia* left Bombay Jan., and is due here on or about the 17th Feb.

The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Coromandel* left Singapore for this port on the 29th Jan., at 5 p.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 4th Feb., at about noon.

The H. A. L. str. *Silesia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 30th Jan., and may be expected here on or about the 7th Feb.

The T. K. K. s. s. *Nippon Maru*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 25th Jan.

On Saturday night, the eighth annual meeting of members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong was held in the Institute, Praya Central. Mr W. Ramsay presided. The report and accounts for 1898 were adopted. The following gentlemen were elected as officebearers for the current year:—President, Mr D. Gillies; Hon. Secretary, Mr W. S. Bailey; Treasurer, Mr C. B. Buyers; Librarian, Mr J. D. Christie; Committee of Management—Messrs W. Ramsay, T. Skinner, J. W. Kinghorn, T. Banks, J. R. Mudie, J. Kirkwood, A. G. Aitken, A. Bain, J. D. Christie, R. Mitchell, C. Ordish, N. Mumford, J. Murchie and J. Kyles.

On Saturday night a German sailor named Hugo Winter was arrested on a charge of stabbing an English marine and was brought before Commander Hastings to-day at the Magistracy. It appeared from the evidence of the manager of the Globe Hotel that the prisoner had made himself very disagreeable in the hotel, and was turned away from the place, at seven, eight and ten o'clock. At eleven o'clock, he returned to the hotel, but was not noticed at the time by the manager, who was busy behind the bar. The German, however, soon made his presence known; and after some abusive remarks to the sailors and soldiers in the bar, he went out followed by a few of the men. Shortly afterwards a marine returned to the bar, bleeding from a wound in the neck about four inches long. There had been some trouble with the German in the street, and prisoner drew a knife and inflicted the wound. He then ran along to the Sportsman's Arms, followed by several of the wounded man's companions. The Police were attracted to the hotel, and Sergeant Rogers effected the arrest of Winter. On the way to the station the prisoner was seen to drop a knife. Prisoner denied all knowledge of the affair, but when called upon at the Magistracy to state his defence said he was in a rickshaw when he was set upon by about ten persons who belaboured him with sticks, and in self-defence he drew the knife. The Magistrate sentenced prisoner to six weeks' imprisonment, with hard labour. Prisoner asked the Magistrate to give him the alternative of a fine. Commander Hastings referred to the serious nature of the offence, and refused to comply with prisoner's request.

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The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 25th January to WEDNESDAY, the 1st February, (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER, *Secretary to the* HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD. *Agents for the* KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 29th Inst., to the 8th Proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, January 23, 1899. 197

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the CORPORATION will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 4th February, to the 18th day of February Next, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON, *Chief Manager.*

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THE Sixty-Fifth Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on MONDAY, the 30th January, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts declaring a dividend, and electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 30th Instant, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. ARNOLD, *Secretary.*

Hongkong, January 12, 1899. 114

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. CHARLES J. HOLLIDAY, in Our FIRM Ceased from 31st December, 1898. Mr. ALEXANDER ROSS is Admitted a PARTNER, from 1st January, 1899.

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Hongkong, January 27, 1899. 223

PUBLIC LECTURE.

THE Honourable JOHN BARRETT, late United States Minister in Siam, has kindly consented, at the request of the HONGKONG ODD VOLUMES SOCIETY, to deliver an Address in the ST. ANDREW'S HALL on WEDNESDAY next, the 1st February, at 5.15 p.m., upon 'The Situation in the Far East as affected by the results of the recent War.'

The Meeting will be open to the Public and Ladies are specially invited.

HENRY E. POLLOCK, *Hon. Secretary,* Hongkong Odd Volumes Society.

Hongkong, January 23, 1899. 240

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 18th day of February, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1898.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON, *Chief Manager.*

Hongkong, January 24, 1899. 204

EOTHEN MARK LODGE—No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be Held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, on MONDAY, the 30th January, at 8.30 for 9.00 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED to attend.

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THE Second Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's OFFICE, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, on FRIDAY, the 17th February, at Noon, for the purpose receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1898, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to 17th February, 1899, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, January 17, 1899. 148

THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

(NOTICE OF CALL).

NOTICE is hereby given that, at a MEETING of the Board of Directors of the above Company Held at No. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Victoria, Hongkong, on the SIXTH day of December, 1898, the following Resolution was passed:—

'That a FIRST and FINAL CALL of 'TEN DOLLARS ($10) per SHARE, upon 'all the SHAREHOLDERS in the above 'Company, in respect of all the SHARES held 'by them in the above Company, be and the 'same is hereby made. Such Call to be 'Paid to the Company at their Bankers, 'the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING 'CORPORATION, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 1st day 'of March, 1899.'

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY Co., LTD., General Agents for the WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LTD.

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